

ENGL 2303-008 Poetry Fall 2012

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prerequisites: ENGL 1301 and 1302

required texts: all will be provided via paper handout or online link. Nothing to buy.

grading: There will be fifteen (15) in-class essays, as listed in the schedule below. Each essay prompt will show you a short poem we haven't covered in class, and ask a version of this question: "based on what we've studied of the poet's life, world, and other works, what is this poem trying to make the reader think, believe, feel, or do? How is this poem trying to change your life?"

A successful paper will examine the poem closely and provide a clear statement supported with reference to the poem and to the texts and contexts we've studied in class. Thirteen (13) or more successful papers will mean a course grade of A. Twelve (12) will mean a course grade of B. Eleven (11) will mean a course grade of C. Ten (10) will mean a course grade of D. Fewer than ten successful papers will mean a course grade of F.

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schedule of assignments and readings:

24 Aug: Syllabus, introductions, policies

27-29 Aug: Robert Frost, contexts and texts

31 Aug: Frost, essay

3 Sept: **LABOR DAY: NO CLASS MEETING**

5 Sept: ee cummings, contexts and texts

7 Sept: cummings, essay

10-12 Sept: Walt Whitman, contexts and texts

14 Sept: Whitman, essay

17-19 Sept: Langston Hughes, contexts and texts

21 Sept: Hughes, essay

24-26 Sept: Elizabeth Bishop, contexts and texts

28 Sept: Bishop, essay

1-3 Oct: Rainer Maria Rilke, contexts and texts
5 Oct: Rilke, essay
8-10 Oct: Caius Valerius Catullus, contexts and texts
12 Oct: Catullus, essay
15-17 Oct: William Butler Yeats, contexts and texts
19 Oct: Yeats, essay
22 Oct: WH Auden, contexts and texts
24 Oct: Auden, essay
26 Oct: **HERMANN'S LECTURES: NO CLASS MEETING**
29-31 Oct: Bob Dylan, contexts and texts
2 Nov: Dylan, essay
5 Nov: Francesco Petrarca, contexts and texts
7 Nov: Petrarch, essay
9 Nov: **SCMLA: NO CLASS MEETING**
12-14 Nov: Philip Larkin, contexts and texts
16 Nov: Larkin, essay
19 Nov: Emily Dickinson, contexts and texts
21 Nov: Dickinson, essay
23 Nov: **THANKSGIVING: NO CLASS MEETING**
26-28 Nov: John Keats, contexts and texts
30 Nov: Keats, essay
3 Dec: Edward Lear, contexts and texts
5 Dec: Lear, essay
NO FINAL EXAM
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